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Classified by DCM Susan L. Ziadeh for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

(C) Pol/Econ Chief May 7 delivered Ref A and B demarches concerning Iran's candidacy for the UN Human Rights Council to MFA Director for International Organization Affairs Ghassan Shaikho. Shaikho listened carefully to the demarches and said Bahrain would consider the views of the U.S. on this matter. He promised to share the points with the Foreign Minister and the Bahraini mission to the UN. (Comment: Normally willing to give a full description of Bahrain's thinking on UN issues, Shaikho was uncharacteristically reserved in addressing Iran's candidacy.)

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